

A New EXPRESS From  
IRELAND:

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Giving a Full Account of the

# Third Victory

Obtained by

## KING VVILLIAM

AND

## Prince VVitttemberg



In the Storming of

# LIMMERICK:

WITH

An Account of the Killing Five Thousand on the Spot.

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**L**ast night came an Express from His Majesty to the Queen at White-Hall, which gives us an Account of a Third Great and Glorious Victory over the Irish Rebels. *August the 30th.* We proceeded in the Storming of *Limmerick*, and we played into the Town, Bombs, Carteridges and Fire-Balls, which did considerable mischief in the Town, and caused a miserable cry among them. *Aug. 31th.* This morning early, we played from a Battery of eight Guns, 24 pound Ball, and two of eighteen, and have made such a considerable breach in the Square Tower, as has render'd it unserviceable to the Enemy, and all the day threw in Bombs, &c. which fired several places in the City, but were soon extinguished. This morning one of *Gilmer* Troops came over to us, and brought with him a Boy and Ten very good Horses. About noon two Captains, a Lieutenant, a Priest and seventy Common Souldiers of the Enemy, were brought in Prisoners from *Nighna*, where General *Gink* marcht with 2000 Horse, 600 Dragoons, and a Regiment of Foot, and two Guns, the Castle endured a Siege of Twenty Four hours, and then surrender'd on discretion. This Afternoon two French-

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men came over to us, and brought with them two as good Horses as any in our Army: They gave an account that the Rebels are in a sad condition for want of Bread and Drink. This night about seven in the Evening, we played furiously into the Town with our fire Engines, with good success, setting fire to a place near the Church, which was not extinguished till five yesterday morning, and as that was quenched, we fired another place, which was blown up by the Enemy, and put out in an hour. September the 1<sup>st</sup>. This morning our Guns fired briskly at the Walls, and did great execution, so that two new Batteries were this day made within eighty paces of the Wall, and our Trenches were carried on by the indefatigable labour of our Men, within Pistol shot of the Counterscarpe, and our Guns were carried this night down to the said Batteries, first against the Wall of 8 half Cannon, the other of two, Eighteen Pounders against the Kings Island. This night a Dissenter came over to us, who says, our fire Utensils, and great shot have done them much damage, destroying at least Three hundred People. The next morning, by break of day, we began to fire our new Batteries against the Wall, but it rained so hard till three this Afternoon, that our Men could not work the Guns, however on any intermission of the violent rain our Guns played violently against the Walls, and from three we fired at least 300 shot against the Wall, and had so good success, that we storm'd the Town. The Enemy made an obstinate defence, firing continually on our Men in the Trenches, which troubled us a little, but hindered not our Men from carrying on the Trenches.

The night following we threw several Bombs and Carasses into the Town, and burnt some Houses. The day following we continued to throw in red hot Balls and Bombs, which fired the Town in several places, and one fell in their Magazine of Ammunition, which was consumed and several Houses burnt, the fire lasting above 8 hours. After that we finished all our Batteries, on which were mounted 30 Pieces of Cannon. Then we advanced our Trenches within 30 yards of the Ditch. A Dissenter that came out of the Town informed us, that the day we took the Redoubt the Enemy lost above 5000 Men. We thought convenient to widen the breach we had made the day before in the Wall of the Town, and beat down part of the Enemies Palisadoes on the Counterscarpe. This being done, the King ordered an Attack to be made on the Counterscarpe, which was begun about 3 in the Afternoon; a detached Party of Granadiers made the Onset, and were seconded by other detachments, who went on with that heat and courage, that having gained the Counterscarpe, and a Fort the Enemy had under the Wall, they killed Seven hundred, and so retired back to their Trenches.

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